

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please change the title at page 1, line 1, from "Pyrazolopyrimidines" to
-- PYRAZOLOPYRIMIDINES --

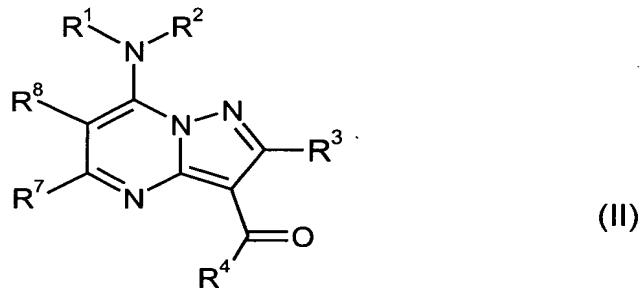
Please insert the following at page 1, between the title and line 3:

-- The present patent application has been filed under 35 U.S.C. 371 as a national stage application of PCT/EP2004/013930, filed December 8, 2004, which was published in German as International Patent Publication WO 2005/056555 on June 23, 2005, and is entitled to the right of priority of German Patent Application 103 57 566.9, filed December 10, 2003. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 15, and continuing through page 4, line 14, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- Furthermore, it has been found that pyrazolopyrimidines of the formula (I) are obtained when

a) pyrazolopyrimidines of the formula



in which

R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁷ and R⁸ are as defined above

are either

- α) reacted with diisobutylaluminum hydride in the presence of aqueous ammonium chloride solution and in the presence of an organic diluent,
or reacted with sodium borohydride in the presence of a diluent,
or

β) reacted with Grignard compounds of the formula

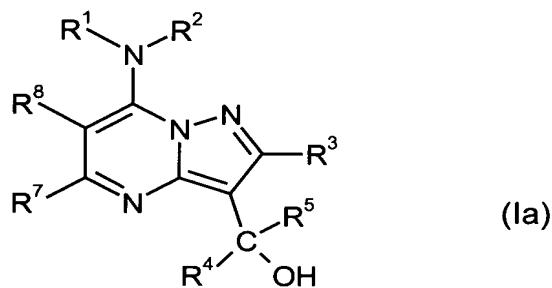


in which

R^9 represents alkyl, alkoxyalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or benzyl and

X represents chlorine, bromine or iodine,

in the presence of a catalyst and in the presence of a diluent, and the pyrazolopyrimidines, obtained according to variant (α) or (β), of the formula



in which

R^1 , R^2 , R^3 , R^4 , R^5 , R^7 and R^8 are as defined above
are, if appropriate, reacted with compounds of the formula



in which

R^{10} represents in each case optionally substituted alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkoxyalkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl or benzyl and

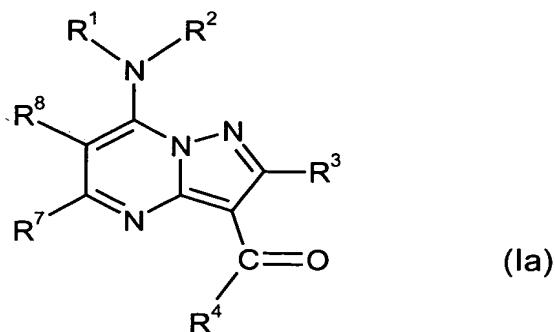
X^1 represents chlorine, bromine, iodine or the radical

$R^{10}O-SO_2-O-$,

if appropriate in the presence of a base and if appropriate in the presence of a diluent,

or

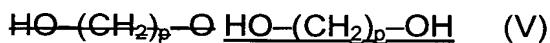
b) pyrazolopyrimidines of the formula



in which

R¹, R², R³, R⁴, R⁷ and R⁸ are as defined above,

are reacted with diols of the formula



in which

p represents integers from 1 to 5 and

1 to 3 hydrogen atoms may be replaced by methyl, ethyl, hydroxy, methoxy, ethoxy, hydroxymethyl, methoxymethyl or ethoxymethyl,

in the presence of a catalyst and, if appropriate, in the presence of a diluent. --

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 15, line 18, with the following rewritten paragraph:

-- The halopyrazolopyrimidines of the formula (XIII) are known or can be prepared by known methods (cf. DE-A 103 28 996 103 57 570 and PCT/EP 03/05159). --